GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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SANITATION WORK UNDER MGNREGS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to include Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) workers in other important schemes like Swachh Bharat Mission and pay them wages under those schemes as well;

(b) if so, whether the Government is also considering to make amendments in the rules in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BIRENDER SINGH)

(a)&(b): Rural Sanitation Programme, including the construction of IHHL (Individual Household Latrine) is a permissible work under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA).

(c): This Ministry has issued revised guidelines on construction of Individual Household Latrines (IHHL) under MGNREGA vide letter dated 25/11/2014 to give impetus to Swachh Bharat Mission.